Temporary Assistance for Needy Families: Strategic Planning

April 23rd, 2014

Introductions

Today's Agenda

Today's Objectives

Clarify roles and expectations

Outline guiding principles for strategic planning process

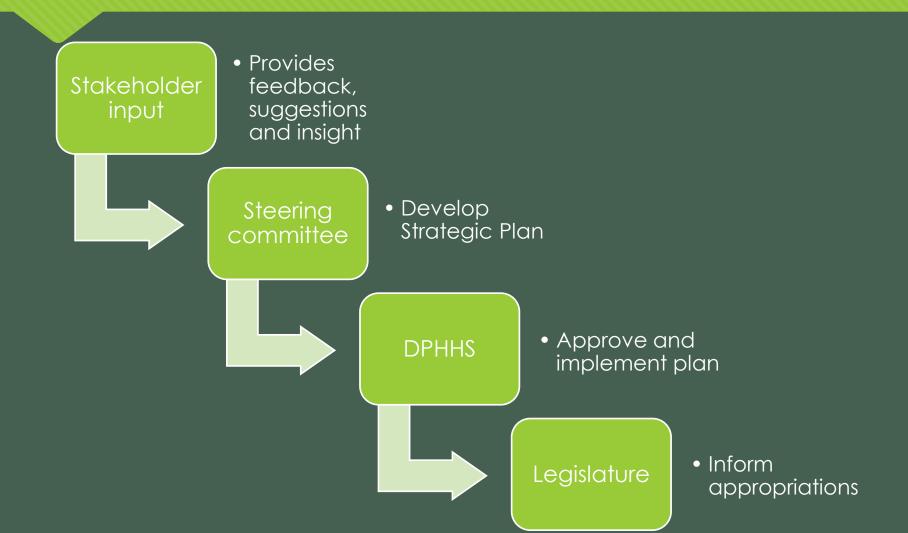
Provide brief overview of TANF Program and Block Grant Budget

Discuss best way to engage participants and stakeholders

Guiding Principles: Strategic Planning Process



Roles and Responsibilities



Stakeholders



Stakeholder roles and responsibilities

- Provide honest feedback and input that informs the entire strategic planning process
- Respect the right of all groups, particularly participants, to provide input
 - Expect that steering committee will use stakeholder feedback to inform strategic planning process

Steering Committee



Steering committee roles and responsibilities

- Systematically solicit and collect stakeholder input
- Consider evidence-based models and recommend data driven approaches
- Consider history of Montana's program and develop a vision for the future
 - Ensure that stakeholder input and evidence-based approaches are incorporated into 5 year TANF Strategic Plan submitted to DPHHS

Charge to the Steering Committee

Developing an overarching purpose statement for use of TANF funds that expresses the core value and purpose for the use of TANF block grant funds.

Proposing a framework that will ensure that projects funded with TANF block grant funds are complementary, integrated, interdependent, and designed to strategically achieve the overarching purpose for the funds.

Prioritizing this integrated framework by emphasizing evidence-based practices

Recommending strategies to collect outcome data for future evidence-based decision making.

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Designing a long-range strategy on the management of "carryover" funds to ensure the proper balance between meeting immediate needs while preserving "rainy day" funds for periods of economic downturn.

Providing a public input opportunity to the Department in the prioritization of use of TANF block grant funds

Learning from and informing constituent groups, stakeholders, and the legislature of how this integrated and prioritized strategic plan for use of TANF block grant funds will improve efficiencies and effectiveness in the use of those funds, with focus on support and self-sufficiency for needy families.

Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)



DPHHS roles and responsibilities

Listen carefully to input and recommendations from stakeholders and steering committee-ensure that input is solicited and collected systematically

Approve strategic plan and implement

Educate legislature about strategic plan and advocate for appropriations consistent with plan

Facilitator Roles and Responsibilities

- Don't waste people's time
- Maintain focus
- Ensure equitable participation-clarify expectations
- Facilitate organized and transparent process
- Write first draft of the strategic plan

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meeting



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2nd Steering
Committee
Meeting



July 17th

3rd Steering

Committee

Meeting

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July 30th4th Steering
Committee Meeting



August 13th5th Steering committee
meeting - develop
recommendations



September-November
Write and approve
Strategic Plan

Guiding Principles: Finished Strategic Plan

Efficient and accountable

Participant Driven – Client Directed

Clear purpose and objectives

Targeted and Effective

Data driven-Evidence-Based

Administratively Manageable/ Systematic

Business orientation

Sustainable

Questions?

Guiding Principles: Strategic Planning Process



Soliciting feedback from participants

How should we solicit feedback from participants statewide?

What is the best format? (interviews, focus groups, surveys, listening sessions?)

How can encourage honest feedback?

Soliciting feedback from contractors

How do we reach out to past, current and potential contractors in an unbiased way?

How can we reach both in-state and out-of-state contractors?

What is the best format? (solicit presentation, interviews, focus groups, surveys etc?)

How can we ensure that all voices have an equal opportunity to participate?

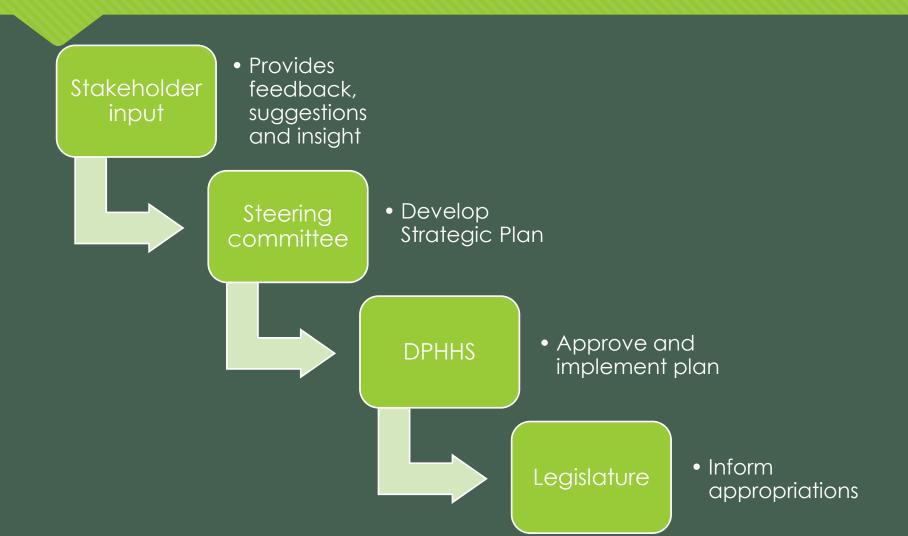
Soliciting feedback from other stakeholders?

What other stakeholders should be involved in this process?

How can we ensure that their voices are heard and input is incorporated?

Public Comment on Feedback Strategies

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Public Comment on Strategic Planning Process